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EO 11652: GDS TAGS: OAU, SP, SL

SUBJ: SPANISH REQUEST FOR U.S. SUPPORT ON CANARIES ISSUE

REF: (A) STATE 141893, (B) STATE 143273

1. EMBOFF CALLED

NUEYJKM'BAYO, ACTING PERM. SEC. MFA, JUNE

- 7, TO REQUEST GOSL ASSISTANCE IN PREVENTING SUBJECT ISSUE FROM BEING ADOPTED AT OAU LIBERATION COMMITTEE OR FROM BEING RAISED AT KHARTOUM SUMMIT.
- 2. M'BAYO SAID GOSL FELT STRONGLY ISSUE WAS PERIPHERAL TO CONFIDENTIAL

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OAU CONCERNS AND REFERRED TO RECENT CORDIAL VISITS BY SPANISH PARLIAMENTARIANS AND MAYOR OF LAS PALMAS TO FREETOWN. UNFORTUNATELY, HE ADDED, GOSL COULD NOT HELP SPANISH GOVERNMENT AT OAU LIBERATION COMMITTEE MEETING SINCE SIERRA LEONE IS NOT A MEMBER OF THAT COMMITTEE.

3. M'BAYO REITERATED THAT DECISIONS REACHED AT SUMMIT WERE

BY CONCENSUS AND SIERRA LEONE COULD BE EXPECTED TO SUPPORT EFFORTS TO OPPOSE ISSUE BEING RAISED. HOWEVER, HE INDICATED GOSL PROBABLY WOULD NOT BE PREPARED TAKE LEADING ROLE IN EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO ISSUE.

4. M'BAYO SAID HE WOULD INFORM FOREIGN MINISTER CONTEH OF USG INTEREST IN ISSUE WHEN HE RETURNED FROM U.S. AND STATED POSITIVELY CONTEH WOULD BE AS HELPFUL AS HE COULD BE. LINEHAN

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